

REVIEW OF WORK BY EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

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sympathetic, interested, cheery listener with helpful, practical suggestions.

With her own son in the army, her heart warmed to these young men who were trying to adjust themselves to the new conditions of life. Many were dissatisfied with one War Industry and desired to try another better fitted to their training. Then Camp Humphreys, a few miles south of Alexandria, was in constant need of all sorts and conditions of men.

Since so many of our local men were gone, and the demand for workers greater than ever, this Bureau handled the women and girls needed in cafe's, lunch rooms, hotels, factories, dress world, cash girls, stenographers, as well as those educated in the business, clerks for all kinds of positions that had been left vacant by the men.

Mrs. Howard alone, and without pay, handled this entire office from September, 1917 to March, 1918, then the Department of Labor placed Mr. Thomas Cook at a salary to take over the Men's Division and gave Mrs. Howard \$85.00 per month to handle the women's division. They worked together until the signing of the armistice, when congress appropriated no more funds and the order came to close the office.

Mr. Cook left, but Mrs. Howard, knowing the imperative need of the office, agreed to continue the work as her patriotic contribution to the country, and the government placed her on the list of a "Dollar a Year Woman."

Through the efforts of our Congressmen, Honorable C. C. Carlin and Honorable R. W. Moore, both of whom showed unfailing interest in the bureau, the use of the office and furniture was given her in the post of five building, and also the franking privileges. Moreover, her signature on an official card gave transportation on the government trucks to and from Camp Humphreys, a very important item in supplying the camp with workers.

The Chamber of Commerce of Alex-

and she promised to pay the phone bill each month, and thus equipped, Mrs. Howard undertook, alone and without compensation, this labor of love.

When our soldiers were coming home, a new readjustment was to begin, and she stood ready to make good her word, "she would keep open for them the door of opportunity," but the soldiers who went out to war came back a different man. The intensive training at the camp, the stress and strain of trench life, the horrors of the battlefield produced in many a strange forgetfulness, their minds could not be immediately readjusted and their hands had lost their cunning. In answer to her question, "What trade do you know?" almost the invariable reply was, "In the time I took to be a soldier I have forgotten nearly everything else." In the meantime, the soldiers had to live and she helped them readjust themselves.

The war being over, the war industries of Alexandria closed, thus cutting off opportunities. Camp Humphreys proved a blessing, the army was rapidly mustered out and every soldier, who could, was leaving the camp. In this reconstruction period, hundreds of our returned soldiers took the place of those leaving Camp Humphreys and did civilian work in Camp as chauffeurs, carpenters, plumbers, in fact all trades, as well as cooks.

From March 1st, 1918 to March 1st, 1919—Men applied 2,000, placed 1,900. Women applied 300, placed 200.

From March 1st, 1919 to March 1st, 1920—men applied 1,000, placed 900. Women applied 400, placed 200.

From March 1, 1920 to present date more than 1000 men have applied but unable to be placed.

The purpose of this office was to remain open until the soldier was placed at work, it is still open, for the army of the unemployed, and is in a number of instances, the former army of the United States. Not all who apply for positions are ex-soldiers, but this serious situation of the unemployed is met by one woman in Alexandria who devotes her time, thoughts and her energy to help the man and the job come together and the mere knowledge that Mrs. Howard is caring for the interests of each one, holds in check in Alexandria the spirit of unrest that is prevailing the world. Alexandria has reason to be proud of her employment bureau and of the woman who is still

rendering this patriotic service. Respectfully submitted, Helen Norris Cummings, President of Virginia State Women's Organization Work, and Chairman of Alexandria Women's Federated Council on Employment.

Hip Pockets Will be Banned in Men's Spring Trousers

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Wedge coats and belt trousers; broad, heavily padded shoulders and narrow hips. These are what the men will wear this spring if they expect to be in fashion. It is a return to the cave-man style—the sort of garments that would fit Tarzan of the Apes like a glove.

The edict was issued yesterday by the Merchant Tailor Designers Association, which has been in convention during the week. "Buck" Tyler, the Beau Brummel of Columbus, Ohio, passed out the news. He also announced that the hipocket is doomed. Men's clothes next spring will be so tight that there will be no room for a pint or even a half pint on the hip.

Men's clothes will be best described as wedge-shaped," said Mr. Tyler. "The kind of stuff you see in Douglas Fairbanks pictures. Athletic lines, you know."

The shoulders square—not the lounge lizard type that has been popular the last year or two.

Other points on forthcoming styles include these changes:

"Sport coats after the Norfolk order, allowing for a wide range in designs.

Top coats of light colored material. Overcoats shapely, on the order of the padlock back, but not exaggerated. Raglan slippers for dress wear to replace the Inverness. These are to have full box effect with plenty of cloth around the bottom. Business suits, wedge-shaped, square cut, or slightly cutaway. Pockets lower, lapels about the same: Grays, blues or checks for spring. Stripes have been done to death and are passe. Vests cut lower, five or six buttons. Trousers, slightly bell shaped at the bottom, but not extreme and very tight around the hips.

ARMY RECRUITING PROSPEROUS

Richmond, Va., Jan. 22.—Colonel Joseph S. Cecil, United States Army Recruiting Officer for Virginia, announced today that recruiting for the Army has not been discontinued, though many people are under the impression that the Army is closed. He said that no orders had been received to that effect.

Colonel Cecil said that more men are joining the colors now than in any other peace time period in the history of the country. He urges all young men who desire to get the advantages of the educational and vocational schools of the Army to enlist at once, as an order to stop recruiting entirely or to accept only certain classes of men may be received before long.

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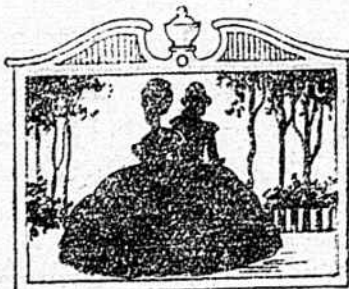
This store carries a line of Baby Carriages and Strollers for 1921 that is second to none.

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